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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Applicants now reply to the Office Action dated March 27, 2007. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 6.

Attachment: (1) Copy of application transmittal letter (3 pages) and date-stamped postcard (1 page); (2) English translation of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-21047, including a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a)(4)(ii) (28 pages); and (3) English translation of

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